

# England's Coronation, JUNE 22d.

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## A DESCRIPTION OF THE GOWN.

The gown proper is a princess robe of crimson velvet, close fitting, high necked, with a train of medium length. The entire front, from neck to feet, is a series of white lace flounces, each about ten inches deep. The crimson velvet opens over this filmy front like a coat, the fronts describing scallops, edged with ermine. The sleeves are made with three velvet puffs separated one from another by narrow bands of ermine.

Below the final band of ermine is a velvet point, beneath which a frill of white lace falls over the arm and hand. Around the waist is a frill of plisse mousseline, which stands out all around like a small edition of an English ruff.

This is the gown simple, sans court train. The court train is fastened to the shoulder under a deep cape of ermine, and falls in very graceful folds, widening as it lengthens. It is fifteen feet long. It is edged with ermine and embroidered at intervals with royal crowns in gold. The train is lined with white satin. The value of this gorgeous robe is \$500.00.

The robe will remain on display in our windows until after the coronation, Thursday, June 22d.

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# JACKSON WARD'S BATTALION WILL ONE BIG NIGHT HAVE MIMIC WAR

Everybody Came Out When Report Spread That Bill Had Been Stabbed.

William Tinsley, who, when he is at home, abides at 104 East Baker Street, in Jackson Ward, went to bed early last night, and the rain beat down on his roof as it does on the just and the unjust. He snored a peaceful accompaniment to the gentle patter of the rain drops, and his dreams were also of peace and calm. In came Charles Dargens—Charles Dargens, who had no business in Tinsley's home, and Charles threw on his coat and demanded that William arise. Bill yawned sleepily, and arose. Then he felt a sharp pain in the middle of his back. There was another stinging pain, and then a third, and Bill awoke to the realization that he was being murdered. He was in his own home, but he was being murdered. He yanked Charles across the bed, but the bed broke under the extra weight, and, wrenching himself loose, Dargens made for the open door and to the outside, where the rain was still falling.

William's wife, the alleged cause of the insult and assault, picked up her part. She screamed, and Jackson turned out en masse, so that when the city ambulance arrived Dr. Simmerman had great difficulty in gaining admittance to the wounded man. But the ambulance driver called the police, and three men were sent on the run. Dr. Simmerman took five stitches in the wounds, and bill took five drinks. He will recover. The police are looking for Dargens, but he left behind him only the echo of his footsteps, poor clues for wary sleuths to follow.

## BOY IRRESPONSIBLE


Mother Promises to Send Raymon Smith to Jail in West Virginia. Sympathy for the mother and belief that the boy is hardly able to understand the difference between right and wrong caused Justice Crutchfield yesterday morning to continue the case against Raymon Smith, fourteen years old, charged with robbing apartments in the Shenandoah Flats, to June 27. By that time Mrs. Smith promised that he would have been sent to an uncle in West Virginia.

Raymon was seriously injured several months ago by being knocked from a wagon by a street car, and it is believed that the injury affected his mind.

**Marriage Licenses.** Marriage licenses were issued yesterday in the Hustings Court to James Hubert Goodwin, of Petersburg, and Anna Sue Rhoden, of Burkeville; Anthony Damiani and Mary Mannoni and to John Patro Overton and Emily Riley Parrish.

**Washington and Lee Summer Law School.** Lexington, Va. Session opens July 1 and closes September 1. For further particulars address DR. GEORGE H. DENNY, Lexington, Va.

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# SETTLE DISPUTE BY INJUNCTION

Will Ask Court to Prevent South Richmond People From Voting in Primary.

In all probability the status of South Richmond, formerly the city of Manchester, as to its representation in the Legislature, will be settled by invoking the aid of the courts. This was the semi-final decision reached at a conference held yesterday afternoon at 1 o'clock in the office of Democratic City Chairman Miles M. Martin, in the Mutual Building. There were present members of the City Committee and of the Washington Ward Democratic Club.

Following the conference, Major Martin declined to say more than that he had called a meeting of the candidates for the General Assembly from this city at his office at noon to-day, at which plans will be considered looking to a settlement of the vexed question.

**Candidate Will Sue.** From other sources, however, it was learned that it has been practically decided that a candidate from the north side of the river will make a legal test of the matter, and that action will be taken at once so as to secure a judicial decision in advance of July 7, the day on which entries for the Democratic primary will close.

This situation has caused no little vexation to party authorities, although there is no friction over the matter. The one desire is to decide the legal status of the affair and to act accordingly. Under the last apportionment made by the Legislature of representation in its houses, the city of Richmond has five members of the House of Delegates and two members of the State Senate. The city of Manchester, with the counties of Chesterfield and Powhatan, was given a floater member. The incumbent in the present House is D. L. Toney, of South Richmond, and it seems to be understood that he is wanted by the people of the district, without opposition. The State Senatorial district is composed of the same counties as the House district, with Gloucester added. It is now represented by Senator J. B. Watkins, of Chesterfield.

**Annexation Caused Trouble.** Since the last meeting of the Legislature, the city of Manchester has been annexed to Richmond. There has been no opportunity to redistrict the city, and as a result the question of representation recently arose. If, as contended by one party, including Chairman Martin, Manchester has become a part of Richmond and must vote as such, the proportionate representation of this city has been reduced and the representation of Chesterfield and Powhatan correspondingly increased. Those who hold this view are strengthened by the fact that the election laws provide that poll tax lists must be used in voting at regular elections, and that these books are prepared by the clerk and treasurer. Manchester, as a result, has no treasurer. Another argument is that the judges of election shall be appointed by the electoral board of the city, and Manchester no longer has an electoral board.

On the other hand, there is a side which views the matter. It should vote as of old in the legislative district with Chesterfield and Powhatan, until the annexation is formally recognized by the Legislature. Further, they say, the General Assembly is the judge of the qualifications of its members, and will not turn down an applicant elected under its own plan, especially if he has no opposition.

**Vote With Old City.** The City Committee, in arranging for the primary of September 7, took no official cognizance of the situation, thereby tacitly including South Richmond with this city, for if there is no change the Richmond candidates for Senate and House will be voted for in the Southside. The people of Washington Ward apparently want to re-elect Mr. Toney, if it can be done legally.

There seemed for some time to be no way in which to get an official opinion. Some discussion was had as to some manner in which to have judgment rendered by Attorney-General Williams, but no one was able to figure out a plan by which he could be officially approached on the subject until after the November election, which will be manifestly too late. In trying to get the situation before the party authorities.

Now, however, some one has discovered a way. The plan, it was learned yesterday, is to have some candidate for the Legislature from Richmond (the north side) sue for an injunction before one of the courts in the city to prevent the denial of Washington Ward from voting in the September primary on a choice of Richmond's representatives in the General Assembly. Possibly this will be done to-day. A speedy decision is anticipated, and the judge of the court in which the matter is taken will be the final arbiter. Neither side will appeal, since there is no time, and there is no spirit of contest—only a desire to do what is legal.

**Assaulted Letter-Carrier.** Henry Crump, colored, twenty-five years old, was brought in Richmond yesterday by Deputy United States Marshal Charles Blair's Wharf, Charles City county, where he was arrested on a Federal warrant charging an assault upon R. H. Marshall, a letter-carrier of that place. He was taken before United States Commissioner Brady and released under \$100 bond, with trial at the Federal court on Monday.

**Clean Streets**

This subject is discussed up and down the streets of Richmond every day, and a vital question it is. It was said long ago that if every man swept in front of his own house that all streets would be clean. For any community to progress along any line, the individuals in that community must all do their share.

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# MARTIN WILL NOT SPEAK AT AMHERST

Positive Denial Is Made of Report, Which Was Not Credited in Richmond.

Announcement was made last night at the apartments of Senator Thomas S. Martin in Washington that he will not open his campaign at Amherst Courthouse on August 11, as was stated in local newspapers yesterday. It was further said that Senator Martin will not do anything in the matter of prosecuting his campaign until after Congress has adjourned.

As a matter of fact, the statement that Senator Martin had made an engagement to speak was not credited by any one here as familiar with the political situation. It was quite evident to all who have been keeping up with the march of events that there had been a misunderstanding on the part of the newspaper at Amherst which made the announcement.

**The Denial Given Out in Washington.** The denial given out in Washington on inquiry from The Times-Dispatch last night is exactly in accord with the policy of the senior Senator. He has persistently declined during the past few months to make any engagement whatever for public appearances in view of the uncertainty regarding the date for the adjournment of Congress. Such letters have been received within a very recent date in Richmond, leaving no reason to doubt that he will not fix a date for a speech until something is positively known about the ending of the session.

As to Senator Swanson, it is also known that he has no engagements. His health is not at all satisfactory, and it is certain that not only will he not decline to enter the campaign so long as his duties detain him in Washington, but it is also doubtful if his physicians will permit him to make a speech at all.

## INSURANCE AGENTS MEET

**Annual Session of Fire People Will Be Held in Norfolk.** Vigorous opposition to the appointment of second fire insurance agencies (so-called underwriters) will probably be voiced at the annual session of the Virginia Association of Fire Insurance Agents, which meets in Norfolk on Thursday of this week. A good many of the Richmond agents will attend. If the weather is excessively warm, the meeting will be adjourned from the Lynnhaven Hotel to Cape Henry.

Opposition to the plan of the appointment of what are called second agencies is general among the agents, not only in Virginia, but in the country at large. Other matters to be considered will be the proposed enactment of the anti-rebate law and the taxation of those who place policies in the hands of non-licensed agents. Last year this association protested strongly against the multiplication of agencies (especially of the side-line class), and it is said it will take similar action this year.

## MIGHT USE GLOW TO TEACH PUPILS

**Insurance Paper Sarcastic Over Eggleston's Suggestion About Pictures.** It seems that the recent suggestion of Superintendent J. D. Eggleston, Jr., of the Department of Public Instruction, to the effect that moving pictures could be used to advantage in the schools, is not received with great favor in insurance circles. The superintendent expressed the opinion that the time would come when the popular method of amusement would be utilized for instruction.

The insurance Herald, in the current issue, comments as follows: "The suggestion of the Virginia Superintendent of instruction to install moving pictures in the public schools of that State, in the near future, appears to be the very latest out Verily, and of a truth, the Rev. Jasper does seem vindicated. 'The world do move.' The worthy superintendent claims that this innovation, per se, will add interest and help to impress the minds of the school children. There is little question about that, and he might impress them further by introducing the clown, the con song and jig into consideration, the question of increased rates for the hazard, but the companies will do that for and then he will have another guess coming when the various school boards conform him with a kick for running up expenses on them. As time goes on, other innovations will doubtless suggest themselves to the active minds of the school superintendents, and they will continue to indorse things that detract the minds of the pupils from their studies. With baseball and football on the outside and moving pictures on the inside of our public schools, to say nothing of the modern college where they make life insurance agents in order, it must be admitted without argument that we are going some."

**June Term Ends.** The June session of the United States Circuit Court of Appeals will adjourn yesterday morning after the following opinion had been handed down:

No. 161—Frank H. Graham and the Title Guaranty and Surety Company, plaintiffs, against the United States of America, defendant in error; in error to the Circuit at Baltimore, Md. Opinion by District Judge Dayton, affirmed.

The next session is scheduled to open the second Tuesday in July.

**Charged With Reckless Driving.** John Shields, colored, was arrested yesterday afternoon in Henrico county by Officer Butler on a charge of fast and reckless driving through Brook Road. Shields is an employee of Hopkins & Blinn.

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**Sent to Grand Jury.** Ben Thornton, colored, was sent to the grand jury yesterday by Magistrate J. T. Lewis after a hearing on a charge of highway robbery. Thornton is alleged to have held up and robbed Willie Johnson, also colored. There is said to be other evidence against accused of a similar nature.

**Short Sea Trips.** New York and Boston Richmond Transfer Co.

# SOON TO ADJUST STORM'S ACCOUNT

Old Question of Overhead Wires to Be Decided on July 6.

Adjustment of the city's account with Storm & Company, whose contract for overhead distribution and erection of poles, masts and stringing of wire for the municipal plant was revoked some time ago, was deferred by the Committee on Electricity last night to July 6, when figures from the company and the consulting engineer will be produced. The work contracted for by Storm & Company aggregated \$65,000, and when they were unable to take care of it the contract was revoked, the city taking charge, but not till a certain amount of the work had been accomplished. At last night's meeting the city was represented by Assistant City Attorney Anderson and the contracting company by its president, James F. Kelley, with an attorney. Finally an agreement was reached by which the work done by Storm & Company, before the annulment of the contract, shall be paid by the city in the interim, and what remains on the contract will be reported. It is then expected that the matter will be closed.

Councilman Jones offered a resolution which was carried, providing for the election of a superintendent to manage the municipal plant and other employees in connection with it. The measure was placed in the hands of a subcommittee consisting of Messrs. Seaton and Cowardin. A subcommittee, made up of Messrs. Atkinson, Huber and Jones, was authorized to confer with the City Engineer and the consulting engineer as to placing electric lights on the Free Bridge.

The contract for underground wiring on West Broad Street was awarded to H. J. Jenkins, of this city, at his bid of \$155. The committee also authorized the purchase of 16,000 feet of wire for the municipal plant and four transformers to be used in Washington Ward.

Estimates were asked for ornamental lighting on Jefferson Street, from Broad to Franklin, the figures to be reported at the next meeting of the committee.

## MUST GO TO CAMP

**Major Bowles Frowns on Attempts to Evade Service at Basic.** Application for only two or three furloughs has been received by Major Bowles from members of the Blues who desire to remain away from the camp at Camp City. These will be refused, as will all applications for discharge, save in cases of expiration of term of enlistment or departure from the militia in case of trouble.

Officers of the Blues are on the lookout this year for men who tip their employers off to ask for furloughs for their own employees, and the impression that the man will be discharged if he goes to camp, it is feared, has been spread. It is regretted by Major Bowles that many employers, including those who have enlisted men in case of trouble, are unwilling to allow their men to attend the annual encampments, an important part of the training of a militiaman.

## HITER DISMISSED

**Charge Against Young Man Based on Charge Against His Sister.** On the testimony of two physicians and of the young woman herself, Hugh Hiter, twenty-three years old, charged with a serious offense of the same character, was dismissed by Justice Crutchfield yesterday morning.

It was brought out in the evidence that Mrs. Carter had threatened Hiter before she was a revolver, and on another occasion she is alleged to have revived him. It was said that her suspicions against Hiter were the result of a disordered mind.

## SERGEANTS ON DUTY

**Regular Army Men Come to Richmond for Instruction Work.** After quite a long absence from the city, the United States Army sergeants assigned to duty with the Virginia militia are back in Richmond for duty with local troops. Sergeant Mike Powers goes with the Blues, to instruct the enlisted men for an indefinite period. Sergeant J. J. McMillan has been assigned to the First Battalion, First Company, and began his duties with the Blues last night.

Sergeant Powers will be required to report at Fort Meyer on June 29 for reassignment to duty with the Blues. Both sergeants are former members of the army school for non-commissioned officers at Fort Leavenworth, Kan.

**Taxicab Hits Carriage.** Taxicab No. 1040 ran into the carriage occupied by John G. Walker at Monroe and Franklin Streets early last night, a serious accident being averted by the chauffeur, who applied the brakes. Both were going in the same direction and the carriage was endeavoring to get out of the way when it was hit.

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# BIG WARD GRAB WITH MILLION IN JACK POT

**Chairman Pollard Shows Why Street Paving Rider Should Not Be Added to Bond Issue, So Board Reconsiders and Will Clip It Off.**

Discussion of parliamentary rules and the reading of opinions by the City Attorney took up the better part of the special meeting of the Board of Aldermen last night, when the question of the new bond issue of \$1,400,000 and the amendment of Alderman Gust for an additional \$1,000,000 for grading and paving was laid on the table and acted upon at a special meeting which will be held Friday night.

Before the motion to reconsider was made a communication from City Attorney Pollard was read, in which he said that the ordinance as passed at the last meeting of the Board of Aldermen was illegal, since the amendment was passed on the night it was introduced, not having gone through the regular channels. He advised that a motion for reconsideration be passed by the Board, and that the measure be placed upon the table for three days and then taken up as introduced last night. Several other modes of procedure were advanced by members of the Board, but the chair ruled on the side of the City Attorney. No one opposed the move for reconsideration.

**Why It Should Not Pass.** Interest in the measure brought out many Councilmen, not members of the Board, among them Chairman H. H. Pollard, Jr., of the Finance Committee, who presented a communication from his committee setting forth reasons why the ordinance should not be passed with the amendment. Advocates of the rider protested that the paper was out of order, but it was ruled a part of the business in spite of other objections.

The communication was addressed to the Board and is signed for the committee by the chairman. Following is the text: "It is needless to say that the Committee on Finance was a little jarred by the action of the Board of Aldermen in amending the ordinance as passed by the Council by tacking on \$1,000,000 for street improvements. 'We wish to call the attention of the Board to the following reasons why, in our opinion, the proposed amendment should not be adopted: '1. The Engineer's Department is in no condition to handle this work, with its annual appropriation of \$350,000, the large unexpended balance of some \$600,000 for sewers in the annexed territory, and the building of Mayo's Bridge. That department is already under the ash, and up to the neck in work. Then, if they had enough force in the office to handle the work, the contractors who do city work have all they can handle. If we give them additional work it just means that we will pay more for the work than it should cost.

"2. To issue thirty-four-year bonds for street improvements, the best of which will wear out or become obsolete in twenty years, is an effort to city might have out and be paying interest and redemption for two sets of bonds for improvements on the same street at the same time. We know of one city of about 50,000 population that has three sets of bonds outstanding for paving the same street, and is now paying interest on them. Draw your own conclusions from this. '3. The condition of the bond market is not at all favorable for the sale of bonds. The Committee on Finance would not have considered for a moment advising a bond issue of \$1,400,000 at this time if it had not had in position to sustain the city's credit to that extent; but when you add another million what support the bonds would receive from that source would not be of much avail. 'If the ordinance is passed as amended it will take practically 33 per cent of the city's revenue to pay interest and redemption on her debt. If

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**TEN DAYS FOR CATTIS**  
**Negro Charged With Shooting Lacked Money With Which to Pay Heavy Fine.** Frank Catlett, colored, who shot up Pantley Bottom Saturday night in an effort to clean it of residents who were not to his liking, will not be bothered with them for a short time, for Justice Crutchfield yesterday morning fined him \$50 and placed under \$100 security for ten days. Frank did not have the coin with him, and went to jail in lieu of the bond.

**Monument Not Defaced.** Reports circulated yesterday that some amateur sculptor had attempted to chip his name on the Howitzers' Memorial Monument at Harrison Street and Park Avenue yesterday morning. The monument, which had used only lead pencil, the results were a memorial to "A. G. B. Jr., W. B. E. A. M. and B. M. Jr. A wet rag properly applied will remove the defacement.

**Say Boy Robbed Mail.** William C. White, a youth, has been arrested at Farmville, Va., on a charge of robbing the mails, and is now being held for the local Federal authorities. He is said to have had access to the mail car, and holder, and frequent losses led to an investigation which resulted in his arrest.

**Negroes Fined for Fighting.** For fighting Mamie Martin and Phat Winston, both colored, were fined \$25 and costs, respectively, by Magistrate J. T. Lewis in Henrico county yesterday.

**Mr. Taylor Recovers.** H. Cleveland Taylor, of Aylett, King William county, who has been ill at the Memorial Hospital, has recovered and returned to his home.

**County Vote on New Bond Issue.** Citizens of Fairfield School District, No. 2, Henrico county, will vote to-day on the question of increasing the school tax levy and on a bond issue for building additional school houses.

The election was ordered by the Board of Supervisors upon a petition of the School Board.

The present levy for the support and maintenance of the public free schools is 25 cents on each \$100, and the question is whether the assessment shall be increased to 30 cents.

The proposed bond issue, which will be settled by the people is for \$35,000, and if it is authorized it will be used for the purpose of establishing new schools in the vicinity of the city and near Poplar Springs. It has been recommended by the School Board. The people will also settle whether or not the issue is authorized if it will be upon all or part of the property in the district.

**Want to Adopt a Baby?** No evidence has been found by the police of Henrico county which would indicate the identity of the party or parties who abandoned a day-old infant Saturday morning in the grounds of the Masonic Home. The child, a girl, was found by a child in a county almshouse, and Superintendent B. W. Jones is searching for some family to adopt the foundling.

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